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31 August 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Deputy Director (Administration)

SUBJECT : Project TPAJAX

1. In accordance with your request, there is listed below the action taken in connection with the above project:

- a. 6 April 1953, the sum of [REDACTED] was approved for project TPAJAX under this date by Mr. Dulles and Mr. Wisner. (See Exhibit A) 25X1A
- b. 10 April 1953, an allotment of [REDACTED] for this project was made by the Budget Division. 25X1A
- c. 29 May 1953, a memorandum was sent by Chief, Administration, NEA, to the Chief, Finance Division, requesting that the amount of [REDACTED] be recorded as an obligation against project TPAJAX and that an expenditures made subsequent to 30 June 1953 be charged against this obligation. This memorandum was approved by Chief, NEA Division. (See Exhibit B) 25X1A

2. On the basis of properly approved request for advances made by the NEA Division, the following payments were made by the Monetary Branch, Finance Division:

- a. 1 June 1953
 - b. 8 June 1953
 - c. 22 June 1953
 - d. 23 July 1953
- [REDACTED]

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3. Based on the very meager information at hand at the present time, it is the opinion of the undersigned that the establishment of an obligation in this manner in one fiscal year and the expenditure of funds in another fiscal year is subject to question. Therefore, it is recommended that no further advances and/or payments be made under this project unless it can be definitely established that a legal commitment of 1953 funds has been made. It is further recommended that the Bureau of the Budget be requested to approve the release of the sum of [REDACTED] instead of [REDACTED] as previously discussed.

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E. R. SAUNDERS
Comptroller

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Attachments:

Exhibits A and B

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